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December 13, 2012

Ms. Marlene H. Dortch, Secretary  
Federal Communications Commission  
445 12th Street, SW  
Washington, DC 20554

Re: DA 12-1863, IB Docket No. 12-340, RM-11683  
Public Notices for LightSquared's License Modification  
Application and Petition

Dear Ms. Dortch:

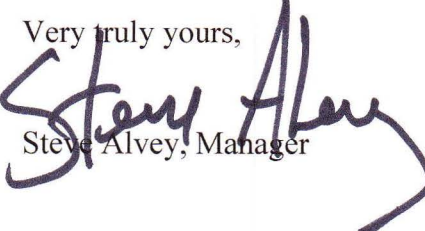
Thank you for the opportunity to submit comments in the proceedings relative to LightSquared's ongoing efforts to build out a new, competitive mobile broadband network. I have followed the northern Virginia company's activities with the Commission, and I want to add my voice to those encouraging you to approve the license modification application and take any other action necessary to kickstart the LightSquared network.

I manage a farm equipment supply business in Leitchfield, Kentucky. As a small businessman in a small rural community, I know better than most the need for good broadband service in rural areas. I have served as a volunteer fireman for a number of years, and I have written letters in the past to the FCC and other governmental agencies in my role as volunteer fireman, seeking to help LightSquared implement its revolutionary 4G cellular telephone and wireless broadband network, which will be of great help to the economy of rural Kentucky and rural areas around our nation.

I'm pleased that both the Obama Administration and the FCC recognize the spectrum shortage facing our nation, but I want to strongly urge you to move at a faster pace. We all know that spectrum is finite and demand is skyrocketing, but we need all components of our federal government to approach spectrum sharing in a way that ultimately benefits all of our citizens. The solutions that LightSquared has most recently put forth show a lot of good faith on its part. To give up its rights to terrestrial use of the very spectrum that was alleged to have caused interference with GPS devices in exchange for a sharing agreement with the government seems more than fair.

Thank you for allowing me to comment on these important issues, and once again, I strongly urge the FCC to grant LightSquared's pending application for a license modification.

Very truly yours,

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read "Steve Alvey". The signature is stylized with a large, looped "S" and a long, sweeping underline that extends to the right.

Steve Alvey, Manager